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"The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn." Alvin Toffler



Program: December 14th

CRAFT TALKS

Jeff Borenstein

Program: December 7th

The Development of Thousand Oaks

Chuck Cohen and Ed Jones



Tony Kourounis introduced the speakers Chuck Cohen and club member **Ed Jones**. Both were involved in the original planning committee for the development of Thousand Oaks. Chuck came to TO in 1961 and **Ed** in 1964, serving together on the City Council in 1970 when the Master Plan for TO was approved.

They described the city and how it looked in the 50's sharing some of the Lawrence photos now celebrated in the Thousand Oaks library. During this period they spoke of the development of Lynn Ranch, Janns development efforts, and the critical development of the water district. When referring to the '70's they spoke of Lupe's, MrCrea Ranch, Cor-rigan's Steak House, and TO High School, which was under the direction of Oxnard High School in the early days. In those days, they noted, about 3/4 of the residents commuted to L.A. for their work.

When the City Plan was created, Ed and Chuck were among those asked to be involved. A Committee of 100 was put together to tap the resources of the community and a survey was distributed to help the committee put the plan together. Among the tremendous supporters of the various city councils and committees developing a plan were Ed Janss and the American Steamship Company. The result was a city plan that makes Thousand Oaks a community that ranks high among cities with exceptional resources, and community spirit.



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Thousand Oaks Rotary Minutes of Meeting November 30, 2017



Tim Weaver opened the meeting by introducing **Tony Kourounis**, who shared his strong appreciation for the friendship spirit of the club as his moment of inspiration.



Coming to lunch with Rotarians has allowed me to be my real self, he said.

Joani Pappas led us in God Bless America.

Chris Steele introduced visiting Rotarians Terry Beckett and Jack Jacobs from Ojai and the fires there. She also introduced Carol Anderson, guest of **Carol Freeman**; **Ed Jones'** wife JoAnn; David Harris, guest of **Susan Murata**; and Vicki Raven, guest of **Eric Harrison**.



BIRTHDAYS

Nov 28 Scioscia, Mike
Nov 28 Wohl, Nancy
Dec 03 Sweeney, Bud
Dec 04 Baker, Larry
Dec 09 Handler, Jonathan
Dec 18 Wender, Dave
Dec 22 Murata, Susan
Dec 25 Khodabakhshian, Dr. K
Dec 26 Doyle, Christal
Dec 28 Roberts, Skip
Dec 30 Friedl, Jim

ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 29 Torres, Jesus & Monica
Dec 03 Corrigan, Frank & Kathy
Dec 15 Hebert, Mike & Dianne
Dec 23 Humphrey, Bill & Sandy

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Betsy Krehbiel reminded everyone that the special holiday celebration was the 21st and that if they planned to bring guests be sure to let the club know so that the meals could be assured. She encouraged us to bring guests.

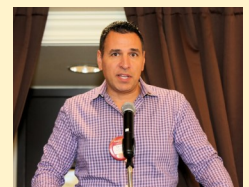
Dave Friedl announced the special social at the Oaks Mall on Friday night.



Guest Vicki Raven announced the United Way effort to assist those impacted by the Thomas fire. She noted that if any wanted to help to access <http://uwvc.org>



Tim Weaver announced the installation of a new member. He asked **Jere Robings** to place the pin on **Victor Hayek**, Assistant Superintendent of the Conejo Valley Unified School District. **Jere** mentioned that **Victor**, whose family came from Lebanon when he was a child, had been a policeman before becoming a teacher then a school administrator on the East Coast. When he moved to TO he served in the Saugus school district before his current position. **Victor** commented on his deep respect for what Rotary stands for and was happy to be a member.



At meeting's end **Robert Bianchi** announced the results of the election of the board members for 2018-2019: **K.T. Connor**, **Jim Friedl**, **Herb Gooch**, and **Ernie Sandlin**. He commended all who were on the ballot as an exceptionally good slate and it was difficult to choose.





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FINE SESSION

Natalie Yanez asked questions about the most popular toys for kids today. Those fined were **Dave Friedl, Jason Hardy, Andrea McClellan, Judy Lazar, Nate Harimoto, Mike Murphy, Ernie Sandlin, Niki Richardson, and Martin Anderson.**



Program: December 21st

Holiday Celebration



We did it again! Even better!

The blood drive was a big success. 25 people registered and we collected 29 units of lifesaving blood, which was well over the goal. Thank you so much for participating in the event. (Next one May 3rd.)



Happy \$\$\$\$

Natalie Yanez carried the cup.

Susan Murata said "ditto" to what **Darin Arrasmith** said about the Holiday Angels Gifts and also that someone apparently donated a Honda since they left their keys at our table when they dropped off the gift. (It turned out they were Nancy Wohl's keys.)

Doug Messner had to evacuate his 86 year old mother from her assisted living facility to his home in Camarillo. He had no power in Camarillo so he broke out camping supplies and set up lanterns, Coleman stove, coffee pot and made a fire for her. So, after 86 years he finally went camping with his mom!

Vicki Arndt was happy for her guest and friend Terry Beckett, former District 5240 Treasurer, who was evacuated from his Ojai home. He got the last hotel room at the Palm Garden Inn and decided to visit us! Now that's a dedicated Rotarian.

Frank Corrigan celebrated his and Kathy's anniversary.

Martin Anderson gave a dollar for **Tony Kourounis**, who says he wakes up every morning in a good mood, to get together with **Frank Corrigan**, who gets up every morning grumpy. (At least that's his email address.)

Cup bearer **Natalie** placed six happy dollars in the cup: two for the celebration of her second wedding anniversary, one for her daughter's first birthday, and three because she and her husband are expecting baby #3 in June.

Patricia Jones reminded everyone of the Rotary float in the Rose Parade and said if anyone was interested in decorating the Rotary Float in Irwindale, let her know

Barbara Cornwall Announced **Russ** is having neck surgery this coming Wednesday and to keep him in prayers!



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PAST PRESIDENTS — Rotary Club of Thousand Oaks

58-59 DONN ODELL	88-89 KENNETH ROBERTS
59-60 JOHN HEYWOOD	89-90 JEFF BORENSTEIN
60-61 MARV BURROW	90-91 DENNIS GILLETTE
61-62 ROSS DUSKIN	91-92 MERV KOPP
62-63 ROY McCOMBER	92-93 TOM GLANCY
63-64 PAUL PACE	93-94 HUGO ROCHE
64-65 JOHN CONLAN	94-95 BRIAN BACK
65-66 CARLOS SCURIA	95-96 TONY KOUROUNIS
66-67 MERRILL DARLING	96-97 JACK CAINE
67-68 PHIL OZAB	97-98 DICK WIELER
68-69 WILLIAM VANDERZWANN	98-99 JUDY ST. JOHN
69-70 ALVIN J. HOTZ, JR.	99-20 MIKE GONZALES
70-71 BEN CRANMER, JR.	20-01 NEIL SCRIBNER
71-72 GLENN GOODWIN	01-02 BOB BIERY
72-73 GEORGE VASLIEFF	02-03 HARRY SELVIN
73-74 HENRY STILL	03-04 RICK LEMMO
74-75 JOHN TUEL	04-05 DOUG TAPKING
75-76 KENNETH HANSON	05-06 KATHY HILL
76-77 DAVID HUANG	06-07 PETE TURPEL
77-78 WILLIAM HAAS	07-08 VICKI ARNDT
78-79 FELIX MASCI	08-09 MARTIN ANDERSON
79-80 HARLAND JONES	09-10 KEITH PARKS
80-81 DAVE WENDER	10-11 FRANK CORRIGAN
81-82 GEORGE GIBB	11-12 RICHARD WILLIAMS
82-83 NORMAN NAGEL	12-13 SUSAN MURATA
83-84 BILL PETERSON	13-14 CAROL FREEMAN
84-85 MIKE O'BEIRNE	14-15 NATE HARIMOTO
85-86 MARV SOSNA	15-16 MIKE MURPHY
86-87 FRED FERRARINI	16-17 ROBERT BIANCHI
87-88 DOC NEEDHAM	

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